

HOUSE RESOLUTION 53

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Lisa Ray, on her selection as Teacher of the Year at Russellville Elementary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Ray is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ray has recently been selected Teacher of the Year by Russellville Elementary School, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ray received her bachelor's degree in elementary and special education from the University of Tennessee at Martin; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Ray has served with acumen and alacrity as an educator for over twenty exemplary years, beginning her career at Lincoln Preschool and teaching in the Special Education program at East High School before joining the faculty of Russellville Elementary School, where she teaches third grade; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ray also serves as her school's Literacy Coach and is Chairperson for Read Across America and Russellville's Camp Read and Write A Lot; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Ray is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Lisa Ray truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Ms. Ray is also active in her church and the Association of Retarded Citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Ray truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby honor and congratulate Lisa Ray on being chosen as Teacher of the Year at Russellville Elementary School, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.